

ter. It is very difficult for the people to go to some high level places by crossing the rivers. This results in loss of lives and property. No arrangement has been made till now either by the Central or the State Government for the safety of the people. So, I would like to urge the Government of India to take immediate steps to construct a bridge on river Bagmati, Rajghat bridge, Kolhuaghat bridge, Bariyahighat bridge and Hathorighat bridge for the safety of the people. The central Government should provide financial assistance to the State Government for constructing these bridges.

[English]

(ii) Need for strict implementation of policy of recruitment of local people in all Government and Semi-Government departments

SHRI SHARAD DIGHE (Bombay North Central): it is now the declared policy of the Government of India to recruit local people in all Government and semi-Government undertakings. Keeping this in view most public sector undertakings lay down as a pre-requisite that all applicants to various posts must have adequate knowledge of the regional language.

In spite of this policy, recently in a circular dated 16th March, 1986 calling for panel of names of suitable officers for the post of Deputy Chairman, Bombay Dock Labour Board, the Ministry of Surface Transport (Labour Division) has failed to mention adequate knowledge of Marathi as pre-requisite for the post especially when adequate knowledge of Tamil is considered essential for a similar post in Madras Dock Labour Board.

I urge upon the Government to implement the policy of recruiting local people in all Government and semi-Government undertakings uniformly.

[Translation]

(iii) Need to clear the Dwarwala Barrage Project over Ganga at Kanpur to meet the drinking water problem of the city

SHRI JAGDISH AWASTHI (Bilhour): I have continuously drawn the attention of the Government in the House and through other means also towards the need of constructing a Ganga Barrage in Kanpur to solve the permanent problem of drinking water as also about the need for diversion of river Ganga towards the ghats in Kanpur. As a result, an expert committee of the Ministry of Environment and Forests was constituted by the Government in January, 1988. The Committee has recommended construction of Dwarwala Barrage in Kanpur at an estimated cost of 130 crores. But I am surprised to note the reply given to a question that the centre has not got any detailed project report as yet. The delay in this matter is aggravating the problem and the people in Kanpur are practically facing its adverse effects. I would like, therefore, to request the Central Government to take immediate steps to start the work on this project with the cooperation of the State Government so that the construction of Ganga Barrage can be started immediately and this long outstanding demand of the people of Kanpur could be met with.

[English]

(iv) Need to instal a T.V. Transmitter Hingoli (Maharashtra)

SHRI UTTAM RATHOD (Hingoli): The information and Broadcasting Ministry is implementing a crash programme in extending the T.V. transmission throughout the country by opening T.V. centres in different places.

Hingoli is a sub-divisional headquarter in the backward region of Marathwada in Maharashtra. Its population is more than 50,000. It is a commercial and cultural centre surrounded by a number of villages in addition to Kalamnuri, a taluka headquarter at a distance of 17 kilometers. Hingoli town may kindly be included in the programme for the installation of a T.V. transmitter. It will cater